

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

First Named
Inventor : Benjamin Y.H. Liu et al.

Appln. No. : 09/679,936

Filed : October 5, 2000

For : METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR
CASCADE IMPACTOR TESTING OF
INHALABLE DRUG THERAPIES
RECOVERY FOR CHEMICAL
ANALYSIS

Docket No.: M419.12-0021

#331782402
COPY OF PAPERS
ORIGINALLY FILED

Group Art Unit: 3653

Examiner:

RECEIVED

AUG 09 2002

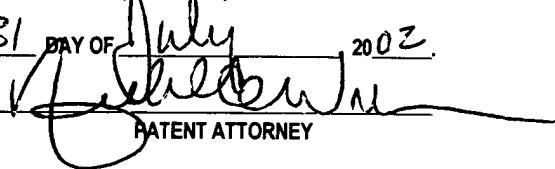
GROUP 330

INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT THIS PAPER IS BEING
SENT BY U.S. MAIL, FIRST CLASS, TO THE
ASSISTANT COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS,
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20231, THIS

31 DAY OF July 2002.


PATENT ATTORNEY

Sir:

Attached hereto is a form 1449 listing British Publication of the present inventors 2,351,155. A copy of that publication is enclosed. The publication is based upon the parent application on which continuation in part status has been claimed for the above identified application. The U.K. publication is not believed to be prior art in the U.S., but it is brought to the Examiner's attention by way of information. Also the search report from the United Kingdom Patent Office is enclosed for the Examiner's information.

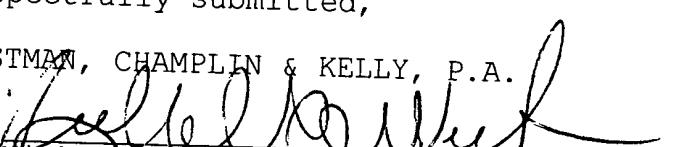
The search was directed to claims which relate to the process and apparatus for recovering classified particulate samples from a cascade impactor. The applicant's earlier application was cited as of interest since it showed the cascade impactor, but not the sample recovery process. No more pertinent references were cited against such claims in the U.K.

RECEIVED
AUG 22 2002
TC 1700

The Director is authorized to charge any fee deficiency required by this paper or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 23-1123. A duplicate copy of this communication is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

WESTMAN, CHAMPLIN & KELLY, P.A.

By: 

Nicholas E. Westman, 20,147
Suite 1600 - International Centre
900 Second Avenue South
Minneapolis, Minnesota 55402-3319
Phone: (612) 334-3222
Fax: (612) 334-3312

NEW/rkp